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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ESTIMATING  
A BASE-2 LOGARITHM OF A NUMBER

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification in the above-referenced patent application as set forth in Attachments A and B.

**REMARKS**

Applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment to correct certain typographical errors that appear in the present application. Due to an apparent word processor translation/conversion error, some symbols were inadvertently misprinted in the application as filed. By this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants seek to substitute intended symbols in place of the misprinted symbols. This amendment essentially involves merely the substitution of symbols, the underlying equations and relations in which the symbols are used are fully supported by the specification, claims and figures of the instant application. In addition, the symbols being substituted and their associated equations were originally included and are fully supported by provisional application 60/308,587, to which the present application claims priority. Further